

## **Spending the Summer at “My Place”**

This summer, the end of the school year won't mean the end of a stable learning environment for 50 ACP client students. That's because there's *My Place*, a 9 week summer day camp for rising 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> graders.

This is the fourth year A Child's Place has offered this important program, which runs five days a week, from June 15 to August 14. For kids who don't have a real place to call home, there's simply no better place than *My Place*. Each day is packed with instruction, interaction and lively summer fun. Three hours of daily academics help students retain and improve their skills as they explore a variety of themes such as animals, the arts, science, sports, community, literature and nutrition.

ACP kids also benefit from weekly field trips to Reed Gold Mine, Ray's Splash Planet, ImaginOn, Freedom Park and many more fun and educational places. And what better way to spend a long hot summer day than at Cane Creek?

But for this program to succeed, we need your help! We're looking for volunteers to donate needed supplies, accompany kids on field trips and provide various kinds of program and staff support.

### **Summer My Place Volunteer Opportunities**

Lunch Buddy/Swim Buddy: Provide a mentoring friendship for an ACP child during camp. You can have lunch with a child or get in the water and cheer on a child as he/she gets swim lessons!

Tutor: Assist student with their academics during the morning segment of camp.

Birthday Sponsor: Supply cupcakes, juice boxes and a small gift (\$10 or less) for a child who otherwise would not get to celebrate their birthday with others.

Field Trip Volunteer: Assist staff with field trips. These occur several times a week. This commitment is on an as needed/as available basis. Some field trips will require more volunteers.

Snack Providers: Group Project – Snack providers may be individuals or groups who bring hearty, healthy snacks for the students on a regular basis. This commitment could be once a week or twice a month.

Special Projects Volunteers: Have any special talent or skills? We are looking for volunteers who can help the children grow and expand their experiences. This can include arts and crafts, music, dance, recreational activities (sports clinics, physical education, yoga), sign language and much more! If you have an idea, we'd love to hear it!

If *My Place* sounds like *your* kind of place, please contact ACP Volunteer and Community Resource Coordinator, Aimee Brunton at 704.343.3790 ext. 9551 or [abrunton@achildsplace.org](mailto:abrunton@achildsplace.org).